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VIA E-FILING

Jocelyn Boyd, Esquire
Chief Clerk of the Commission
SC Public Service Commission
P. O. Drawer 11649
Columbia, SC 29211

RE: Development Service, Inc. Request for Adjustment of Its
Commercial Rate for Churches

Dear Ms. Boyd:

Development Service, Inc. ("DSI") is a public utility within the meaning of S.C. Code Ann §58-5-10(3) providing sewer service to residential and commercial customers in Richland County. DSI is currently operating under a schedule of rates approved by the South Carolina Public Service Commission in May 3, 2007, in Order No. 2007-314. Pursuant to the authority set out in S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-5-240(G), DSI herewith requests that it be permitted to adjust its commercial rate for churches as hereinafter set out.

The current schedule of rates provides for a monthly charge to all churches of \$26.48 without regard to consumption. However, DSI would submit that its commercial rate for churches should conform to the Guidelines for Unit Contributory Loadings to Wastewater Treatment Facilities propounded by the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control ("DHEC"). DHEC's guideline for churches is 3 gallons per day per seat.

DSI's current commercial rate for churches is a flat rate of \$26.48. DSI proposes to adjust its commercial church rates to provide for a minimum or base rate of \$26.48 per month and an additional 20 cents per seat for those churches with seating capacity in excess of 132 seats. The proposed consumption rate is calculated as follows:

$$\frac{3\text{gpd}}{400\text{gpd}} \times \$26.48 = \$0.20/\text{seat}$$

DSI is informed and believes that the proposed rate would have minimal impact, if any, on its existing customers. However, any commercial church account with seating capacity in excess of 132 seats

would experience a monthly rate in excess of \$26.48. The use of the DHEC guidelines for churches in crafting a commercial rate would be fair and reasonable to all concerned.

Accordingly, DSI would propose the following rate schedule for commercial church accounts:

Churches	
Seating capacity of 132 or less	\$26.48
Seating capacity in excess of 132	\$26.48 base + 20¢ per seat for seating capacity in excess of 132 seats

S.C. Code Ann. §58-5-240. (G) provides, as follows:

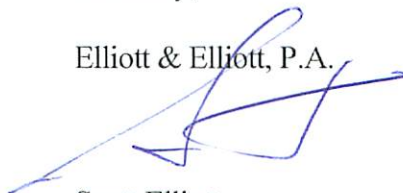
(G) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, the Commission may allow rates or tariffs to be put into effect without a hearing upon order of the Commission when such rates or tariffs do not require a determination of the entire rate structure and overall rate of return, or when the rates or tariffs do not result in any rate increase to the public utility, or when the rates or tariffs are for experimental purposes.

Accordingly, the Applicant, Development Service, Inc., respectfully submits this request for an adjustment in its commercial church accounts without a hearing as outlined herein.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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